

REMARKS

Rejections

Rejection for Double Patenting

Claims 21-132

Claims 21-132 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-15 of U.S. Patent No. 6,721,759. Without admitting to the validity of the rejection and without admitting that any finding or determination with respect to the validity of the 6,721,759 patent will affect the validity of any patent issuing from the present application, Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer and respectfully requests the withdrawal of the double patenting rejection of the pending claims.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 22-30, 32-39, 41-48, 50-58, 60-67, 69-76, 78-86, 88-95, 97-104, 106-114, 116-123 and 125-132 contain allowable subject matter if rewritten to include all the limitations of the claims from which they each originally depended. Independent claims 21, 40, 49, 68, 77, 96, 105 and 123 have been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claims 24, 41, 52, 69, 80, 97, 108, and 125, respectively. Claims 24, 41, 52, 69, 80, 97, 108, and 125 have been cancelled and amendments have made to other dependent claims to correct their dependencies as appropriate. In view of these amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 21-23, 25-40, 42-51, 53-68, 70-79, 81-96, 98-107, 109-124 and 126-132 are now in condition for allowance, and request allowance of said claims.

SUMMARY

Claims 21-23, 25-40, 42-51, 53-68, 70-79, 81-96, 98-107, 109-124 and 126-132 are currently pending. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Sue Holloway at (408) 720-8300 x309.

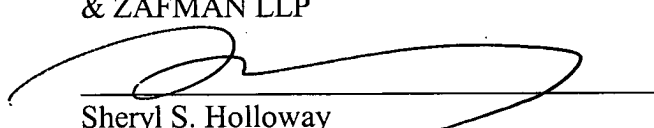
Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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